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Claims 30-34 were rejected under 35 USC 251 as being broadened in reissue application filed outside the two year statutory period.

Independent claim 30 is amended to include ALL of the limitations in original claim 1, in addition to limitations that were present in the originally filed claim 30. Clearly, therefore, amended claim 30 is narrower than the original claim 1.

To assist the Examiner, the boxed text in the appendix presents amended claim 30 as an amended version of claim 1, which more clearly and easily demonstrates that all of the limitations of claim 1 are found in amended claim 1.

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully solicited..

Respectfully,  
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Appendix

1. (Original) A method for automatically providing a compressed rendition of a video program (pictorial transcript) in a format suitable for electronic searching and retrieval, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving electronic data representing a condensed version of a video program, said video program having a full motion video component and a second information-bearing media component associated therewith that is, or may be converted to text, said electronic data representation including a representative frame from each segment of the video component of the video program and a portion of said second media component associated with said segment;

automatically transforming said electronic data representation into a hypertext format to form a hypertext pictorial transcript; and

recording said hypertext pictorial transcript in an electronic medium, wherein said hypertext pictorial transcript has at least one standard page layout, selectable from a plurality of standard page layouts, that includes a subset of representative frames selected by at least one criterion that reduces bandwidth;

identifying pictorial transcript representations in said collection that are responsive to a user request that includes one or more keywords;

modifying a pictorial transcript representation that was identified by said step of identifying in a manner that is sensitive to said one or more keywords; and

providing the modified pictorial transcript to said user.